

# Resolution No. 2025-XXX N.C.S. of the City of Petaluma, California

## APPOINTING COUNCILMEMBER KAREN NAU VICE MAYOR FOR 2025

**WHEREAS**, the City Council Rules, Policies, and Procedures, Section V.B., provides that the Vice Mayor shall be selected at the first meeting in January and serve for a one-year term; and

**WHEREAS**, the selection is based on seniority, and no Council Member is to serve a second term as Vice Mayor until all other Council members have had an opportunity to serve as Vice Mayor; and

**WHEREAS**, in the case of newly seated Councilmembers, their seniority shall be established by the number of votes received at the time of their election; and

**WHEREAS**, Council has historically allowed members to serve as Vice Mayor for a second time before others who have not yet served, when their previous tenure as Vice Mayor was in a previous term of office with a break in service; and

**WHEREAS**, Councilmember Nau's appointment is consistent with the Council Rules, Policies, and Procedures requirement that the selection of Vice Mayor shall be based on seniority and with past practice of allowing Councilmembers to rotate into the Vice Mayor position based on seniority after a break in service.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Petaluma as follows:

1. That the above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated into this Resolution as findings.
2. That Councilmember Karen Nau is hereby appointed to serve as Vice Mayor for the calendar year 2025.

Under the power and authority conferred upon this Council by the Charter of said City.

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**REFERENCE:** I hereby certify the foregoing Resolution was introduced and adopted by the Council of the City of Petaluma at a Regular meeting on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of January 2025, by the following vote:

Approved as to  
form:

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City Attorney

**AYES:**

**NOES:**

**ABSENT:**

**ABSTAIN:**

**ATTEST:**

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City Clerk

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Mayor